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Status of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the Optional Protocols to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

Report of the Secretary-General

1. The General Assembly, by its resolution 2200 A (XXI) of 16 December 1966, adopted and opened for signature, ratification or accession the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, and expressed the hope that the Covenants and the Optional Protocol would be signed, ratified or acceded to without delay. The Assembly also requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its future sessions reports concerning the status of ratification of the Covenants and of the Optional Protocol. In response to that request, reports on the status of the International Covenants and the Optional Protocol have been submitted annually to the Assembly since its twenty-second session in 1967.

2. Both Covenants and the Optional Protocol were opened for signature at New York on 19 December 1966. In accordance with their respective provisions, 1/ the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights entered into force on 3 January 1976, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights entered into force on 23 March 1976, and the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, having received the required number of ratifications or accessions, entered into force simultaneously with that Covenant on 23 March 1976.

3. In its resolution 46/113 of 17 December 1991, the General Assembly, inter alia, again urged all States that had not yet done so to become parties to both Covenants, as well as to consider acceding to the Optional Protocols to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights; invited the States parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights to consider making the declaration provided for in article 41 of the Covenant; appealed to States

parties to the Covenants that had exercised their sovereign right to make reservations in accordance with relevant rules of international law to consider whether any such reservations should be reviewed; and encouraged all Governments to publish the texts of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the Optional Protocols to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and to distribute them and make them known as widely as possible in their territories. The Assembly also requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its forty-eighth session a report on the status of the Covenants and the Optional Protocols.

4. As at 1 August 1993, the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights had been ratified or acceded to by 123 States, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights had been ratified or acceded to by 122 States and the First Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights had been ratified or acceded to by 73 States. The list of States that have signed, ratified or acceded to the Covenants and the Optional Protocol and the dates of their signatures, ratifications, or accessions appear in annexes I to III of the present report.

5. The General Assembly, by its resolution 44/128 of 15 December 1989, adopted and opened for signature, ratification and accession the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aimed at the abolition of the death penalty, and called upon all Governments in a position to do so to consider signing and ratifying or acceding to the Second Optional Protocol.

6. The Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights entered into force on 11 July 1991, three months after the date of deposit with the Secretary-General of the tenth instrument of ratification or accession. As at 1 August 1993, the Second Optional Protocol had been ratified or acceded to by 18 States. In addition, it had been signed by another 6 States. The list of States that have signed, ratified or acceded to the Second Optional Protocol, as well as the dates of their signature, ratification or accession thereto, is contained in annex IV to the present report.

7. Upon ratification of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights or subsequently, the Governments of Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Congo, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Ecuador, Finland, the Gambia, Germany, Guyana, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Peru, the Philippines, Poland, the Republic of Korea, the Russian Federation, Senegal, Slovenia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland, Tunisia, Ukraine, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America and Zimbabwe made the declaration provided for in article 41 of the Covenant, recognizing the competence of the Human Rights Committee established under article 28 of the Covenant to receive and consider communications to the effect that a State party claims that another State party is not fulfilling its obligations under the Covenant. The provisions of article 41 entered into force on 28 March 1979 in accordance with paragraph 2 of that article.

8. As regards the implementation of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, established in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1985/17 of 28 May 1985, held its sixth, seventh and eighth sessions at the United Nations Office at Geneva from 25 November to 13 December 1991, 23 November to 11 December 1992 and 10 to 28 May 1993, respectively. It submitted reports to the Economic and Social Council at its substantive sessions of 1992 and of 1993 2/ in which it made suggestions and recommendations concerning issues arising from the consideration of reports submitted by States parties to the Covenant.

9. As regards the implementation of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the Human Rights Committee held its forty-third session at the United Nations Office at Geneva from 21 October to 8 November 1991, its forty-fourth session at United Nations Headquarters from 23 March to 10 April 1992, and its forty-fifth session at the United Nations Office at Geneva from 13 to 31 July 1992. The forty-sixth session was held at the United Nations Office at Geneva from 19 October to 6 November 1992; the forty-seventh session was held at United Nations Headquarters from 22 March to 8 April 1993; and the forty-eighth session was held at the United Nations Office at Geneva from 12 to 30 July 1993. In accordance with article 45 of the Covenant and article 6 of the First Optional Protocol, the Committee has submitted its annual reports to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh and forty-eighth sessions 3/ which cover the activities of the Committee at its above-mentioned sessions.

Notes

1/ Article 27 of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, article 49 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and article 9 of the First Optional Protocol.

2/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1992, Supplement No. 3 (E/1992/23); ibid., 1993, Supplement No. 2 (E/1993/22 and E/1993/L.23).

3/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 40 (A/47/40); ibid., Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 40 (A/48/40).

ANNEX I

List of States that have signed, ratified or acceded to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

State party	Date of signature	Date of receipt of the instrument of ratification, accession or succession
Afghanistan		24 January 1983 a/
Albania		4 October 1991 a/
Algeria	10 December 1968	12 September 1989
Angola		10 January 1992 a/
Argentina	19 February 1968	8 August 1986
Australia	18 December 1972	10 December 1975
Austria	10 December 1973	10 September 1978
Azerbaijan		13 August 1992
Barbados		5 January 1973 a/
Belarus, Republic of	19 March 1968	12 November 1973
Belgium	10 December 1968	21 April 1983
Benin		12 March 1992 a/
Bolivia		12 August 1982 a/
Brazil		24 January 1992 a/
Bulgaria	8 October 1968	21 September 1970
Burundi		9 May 1990 a/
Cambodia	17 October 1980	26 May 1992 a/
Cameroon		27 June 1984 a/
Canada		19 May 1976 a/
Central African Republic		8 May 1981 a/
Chile	16 September 1969	10 February 1972
China b/		
Colombia	21 December 1966	29 October 1969
Congo		5 October 1983 a/
Costa Rica	19 December 1966	29 November 1968
Côte d'Ivoire		26 March 1992 a/
Croatia		12 October 1992 c/
Cyprus	9 January 1967	2 April 1969
Czech Republic		22 February 1993 c/
Democratic People's Republic of Korea		14 September 1981 a/
Denmark	20 March 1968	6 January 1972
Dominica		17 June 1993 a/
Dominican Republic		4 January 1978 a/
Ecuador	29 September 1967	6 March 1969
Egypt	4 August 1967	14 January 1982
El Salvador	21 September 1967	30 November 1979
Equatorial Guinea		25 September 1987 a/
Estonia		21 October 1991 a/
Ethiopia		11 June 1993 a/

State party	Date of signature	Date of receipt of the instrument of ratification, accession or succession
Finland	11 October 1967	19 August 1975
France		4 November 1980 a/
Gabon		21 January 1983 a/
Gambia		29 December 1978 a/
Germany	9 October 1968	17 December 1973
Greece		16 May 1985 a/
Grenada		6 September 1991 a/
Guatemala		19 May 1988 a/
Guinea	28 February 1967	24 January 1978
Guyana	22 August 1968	15 February 1977
Honduras	19 December 1966	17 February 1981 a/
Hungary	25 March 1969	17 January 1974
Iceland	30 December 1968	22 August 1979
India		10 April 1979 a/
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	4 April 1968	24 June 1975
Iraq	18 February 1969	25 January 1971
Ireland	1 October 1973	8 December 1989
Israel	19 December 1966	30 October 1991
Italy	18 January 1967	15 September 1978
Jamaica	19 December 1966	3 October 1975
Japan	30 May 1978	21 June 1979
Jordan	30 June 1972	28 May 1975
Kenya		1 May 1972 a/
Latvia		14 April 1992 a/
Lebanon		3 November 1972 a/
Lesotho		9 September 1992
Liberia	18 April 1967	
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya		15 May 1970 a/
Lithuania		20 November 1991 a/
Luxembourg	26 November 1974	18 August 1983
Madagascar	14 April 1970	22 September 1971 a/
Mali		16 July 1974 a/
Malta	22 October 1968	13 September 1990 a/
Mauritius		12 December 1973 a/
Mexico		23 March 1981 a/
Mongolia	5 June 1968	18 November 1974
Morocco	19 January 1977	3 May 1979
Nepal		14 May 1991 a/
Netherlands	25 June 1969	11 December 1978
New Zealand	12 November 1968	28 December 1978
Nicaragua		12 March 1980 a/
Niger		7 March 1986 a/
Nigeria		29 July 1993 a/
Norway	20 March 1968	13 September 1972
Panama	27 July 1976	8 March 1977
Paraguay		10 June 1992 a/
Peru	11 August 1977	28 April 1978

State party	Date of signature	Date of receipt of the instrument of ratification, accession or succession
Philippines	19 December 1966	7 June 1974
Poland	2 March 1967	18 March 1977
Portugal	7 October 1976	31 July 1978
Republic of Korea		10 April 1990 a/
Republic of Moldova		26 January 1993 a/
Romania	27 June 1968	9 December 1974
Russian Federation	18 March 1968	16 October 1973
Rwanda		16 April 1975 a/
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines		9 November 1981 a/
San Marino		18 October 1985 a/
Senegal	6 July 1970	13 February 1978
Seychelles		5 May 1992 a/
Slovakia		28 May 1993 c/
Slovenia		6 July 1992 c/
Solomon Islands		17 March 1982 c/
Somalia		24 January 1990 a/
Spain	28 September 1976	27 April 1977
Sri Lanka		11 June 1980 a/
Sudan		18 March 1986 a/
Suriname		28 December 1976 a/
Sweden	29 September 1967	6 December 1971
Switzerland		18 June 1992 a/
Syrian Arab Republic		21 April 1969 a/
Togo		24 May 1984 a/
Trinidad and Tobago		8 December 1978 a/
Tunisia	30 April 1968	18 March 1969
Uganda		21 January 1987 a/
Ukraine	20 March 1968	12 November 1973
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	16 September 1968	20 May 1976
United Republic of Tanzania		11 June 1976 a/
United States of America	5 October 1977	
Uruguay	21 February 1967	1 April 1970
Venezuela	24 June 1969	10 May 1978
Viet Nam		24 September 1982 a/
Yemen		9 February 1987
Yugoslavia	8 August 1967	2 June 1971
Zaire		1 November 1976 a/
Zambia		10 April 1984 a/
Zimbabwe		13 May 1991 a/

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a/ Accession.

b/ Following the adoption by the General Assembly of resolution 2758 (XXVI) of 25 October 1971 on the restoration of the lawful rights of the People's Republic of China in the United Nations, the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China, by a note addressed to the Secretary-General, received on 29 September 1972, stated:

> "1. With regard to the multilateral treaties signed, ratified or acceded to by the defunct Chinese government before the establishment of the People's Republic of China, my Government will examine all their contents before making a decision in the light of the circumstances as to whether or not they should be recognized.
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> "2. As from 1 October 1949, the day of the founding of the People's Republic of China, the Chiang Kai-Shek clique has no right at all to represent China. Its signature and ratification of, or accession to, any multilateral treaties by usurping the name of 'China' are all illegal and null and void. My Government will study these multilateral treaties before making a decision in the light of the circumstances as to whether or not they should be acceded to."

The lists in annexes I to III therefore do not include the signature of the two Covenants and the Optional Protocol on behalf of the "Republic of China" on 5 October 1967.

c/ Date of reception of notification of succession.

ANNEX II

List of States that have ratified or acceded to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

State party	Date of receipt of the instrument of ratification, accession or succession	Date of entry into force
Afghanistan	24 January 1983 a/	24 April 1983
Albania	4 October 1991 a/	4 January 1992
Algeria	12 September 1989	12 December 1989
Angola	10 January 1992 a/	10 April 1992
Argentina	8 August 1986	8 November 1986
Armenia	23 June 1993	23 September 1993
Australia	13 August 1980	13 November 1980
Austria	10 September 1978	10 December 1978
Azerbaijan	13 August 1992 a/	13 November 1992
Barbados	5 January 1973 a/	23 March 1976
Belarus	12 November 1973	23 March 1976
Belgium	21 April 1983	21 July 1983
Benin	12 March 1992 a/	12 June 1992
Bolivia	12 August 1982 a/	12 November 1982
Brazil	24 January 1992 a/	24 April 1992
Bulgaria	21 September 1970	23 March 1976
Burundi	9 May 1990 a/	9 August 1990
Cambodia	26 May 1992 a/	26 August 1992
Cameroon	27 June 1984 a/	27 September 1984
Canada	19 May 1976 a/	19 August 1976
Central African Republic	8 May 1981 a/	8 August 1981
Chile	10 February 1972	23 March 1976
Colombia	29 October 1969	23 March 1976
Congo	5 October 1983 a/	5 January 1984
Costa Rica	29 November 1968	23 March 1976
Côte d'Ivoire	26 March 1992 a/	26 June 1992
Croatia	12 October 1992 b/	8 October 1991
Cyprus	2 April 1969	23 March 1976
Czech Republic	22 February 1993 b/	1 January 1993
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	14 September 1981 a/	14 December 1981
Denmark	6 January 1972	23 March 1976
Dominica	17 June 1993 a/	17 September 1993
Dominican Republic	4 January 1978 a/	4 April 1978
Ecuador	6 March 1969	23 March 1976
Egypt	14 January 1982	14 April 1982
El Salvador	30 November 1979	29 February 1980
Equatorial Guinea	25 September 1987 a/	25 December 1987
Estonia	21 October 1991 a/	21 January 1992
Ethiopia	11 June 1993 a/	11 September 1993
Finland	19 August 1975	23 March 1976

State party	Date of receipt of the instrument of ratification, accession or succession	Date of entry into force
France	4 November 1980 a/	4 February 1981
Gabon	21 January 1983 a/	21 April 1983
Gambia	22 March 1979 a/	22 June 1979
Germany	17 December 1973	23 March 1976
Grenada	6 September 1991 a/	6 December 1991
Guatemala	6 May 1992	5 August 1992
Guinea	24 January 1978	24 April 1978
Guyana	15 February 1977	15 May 1977
Haiti	6 February 1991 a/	6 May 1991
Hungary	17 January 1974	23 March 1976
Iceland	22 August 1979	22 November 1979
India	10 April 1979 a/	10 July 1979
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	24 June 1975	23 March 1976
Iraq	25 January 1971	23 March 1976
Ireland	8 December 1989	8 March 1990
Israel	3 October 1991	3 January 1992
Italy	15 September 1978	15 December 1978
Jamaica	3 October 1975	23 March 1976
Japan	21 June 1979	21 September 1979
Jordan	28 May 1975	23 March 1976
Kenya	1 May 1972 a/	23 March 1976
Latvia	14 April 1992 a/	14 July 1992
Lebanon	3 November 1972 a/	23 March 1976
Lesotho	9 September 1992	9 December 1992
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	15 May 1970 a/	23 March 1976
Lithuania	20 November 1991 a/	20 February 1992
Luxembourg	18 August 1983	18 November 1983
Madagascar	21 June 1971	23 March 1976
Mali	16 July 1974 a/	23 March 1976
Malta	13 September 1990 a/	13 December 1990
Mauritius	12 December 1973 a/	23 March 1976
Mexico	23 March 1981 a/	23 June 1981
Mongolia	18 November 1974	23 March 1976
Morocco	3 May 1979	3 August 1979
Mozambique	21 July 1993 a/	21 October 1993
Nepal	14 May 1991	14 August 1991
Netherlands	11 December 1978	11 March 1979
New Zealand	28 December 1978	28 March 1979
Nicaragua	12 March 1980 a/	12 June 1980
Niger	7 March 1986 a/	7 June 1986
Nigeria	29 July 1993 a/	29 October 1993
Norway	13 September 1972	23 March 1976
Panama	8 March 1977	8 June 1977
Paraguay	10 June 1992 a/	10 September 1992
Peru	28 April 1978	28 July 1978
Philippines	23 October 1986	23 January 1987
Poland	18 March 1977	18 June 1977
Portugal	15 June 1978	15 September 1978

State party	Date of receipt of the instrument of ratification, accession or succession	Date of entry into force
Republic of Korea	10 April 1990 a/	10 July 1990
Republic of Moldova	26 January 1993 a/	26 April 1993
Romania	9 December 1974	23 March 1976
Russian Federation	16 October 1973	23 March 1976
Rwanda	16 April 1975 a/	23 March 1976
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	9 November 1981 a/	9 February 1982
San Marino	18 October 1985 a/	18 January 1986
Senegal	13 February 1978	13 May 1978
Seychelles	5 May 1992 a/	5 August 1992
Slovakia	28 May 1993 b/	1 January 1993
Slovenia	6 July 1992 b/	25 June 1991
Somalia	24 January 1990 a/	24 April 1990
Spain	27 April 1977	27 July 1977
Sri Lanka	11 June 1980 a/	11 September 1980
Sudan	18 March 1986 a/	18 June 1986
Suriname	28 December 1976 a/	28 March 1977
Sweden	6 December 1971	23 March 1976
Switzerland	18 June 1992 a/	18 September 1992
Syrian Arab Republic	21 April 1969 a/	23 March 1976
Togo	24 May 1984 a/	24 August 1984
Trinidad and Tobago	21 December 1978 a/	21 March 1979
Tunisia	18 March 1969	23 March 1976
Ukraine	12 November 1973	23 March 1976
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	20 May 1976	20 August 1976
United Republic of Tanzania	11 June 1976 a/	11 September 1976
United States of America	8 June 1992	8 September 1992
Uruguay	1 April 1970	23 March 1976
Venezuela	10 May 1978	10 August 1978
Viet Nam	24 September 1982 a/	24 December 1982
Yemen	9 February 1987 a/	9 May 1987
Yugoslavia	2 June 1971	23 March 1976
Zaire	1 November 1976 a/	1 February 1977
Zambia	10 April 1984 a/	10 July 1984
Zimbabwe	13 May 1991 a/	13 August 1991

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a/ Accession.

b/ Succession.

ANNEX III

List of States that have ratified or acceded to the First Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

State party	Date of receipt of the instrument of ratification, accession or succession	Date of entry into force
Algeria	12 September 1989 a/	12 December 1990
Angola	10 January 1992 a/	10 April 1992
Argentina	8 August 1986 a/	8 November 1986
Armenia	23 June 1993	23 September 1993
Australia	25 September 1991	25 December 1991
Austria	10 December 1987	10 March 1988
Barbados	5 January 1973 a/	23 March 1976
Belarus	30 September 1992 a/	30 December 1992
Benin	12 March 1992 a/	12 June 1992
Bolivia	12 August 1982 a/	12 November 1982
Bulgaria	26 March 1992 a/	26 June 1992
Cameroon	27 June 1984 a/	27 September 1984
Canada	19 May 1976 a/	19 August 1976
Central African Republic	8 May 1981 a/	8 August 1981
Chile	28 May 1992 a/	28 August 1992
Colombia	29 October 1969	23 March 1976
Congo	5 October 1983 a/	5 January 1984
Costa Rica	29 November 1968	23 March 1976
Czech Republic	22 February 1993 b/	1 January 1993
Denmark	6 January 1972	23 March 1976
Dominican Republic	4 January 1978 a/	4 April 1978
Ecuador	6 March 1969	23 March 1976
Equatorial Guinea	25 September 1987 a/	25 December 1987
Estonia	21 October 1991 a/	21 January 1992
Finland	19 August 1975	23 March 1976
France	17 February 1984 a/	17 May 1984
Gambia	9 June 1988 a/	9 September 1988
Guinea	17 June 1993	17 September 1993
Guyana	10 May 1993 a/	10 August 1993
Hungary	7 September 1988 a/	7 December 1988
Iceland	22 August 1979 a/	22 November 1979
Ireland	8 December 1989	8 March 1990
Italy	15 September 1978	15 December 1978
Jamaica	3 October 1975	23 March 1976
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	16 May 1989 a/	16 August 1989
Lithuania	20 November 1991 a/	20 February 1992
Luxembourg	18 August 1983 a/	18 November 1983
Madagascar	21 June 1971	23 March 1976
Malta	13 September 1990 a/	13 December 1990
Mauritius	12 December 1973 a/	23 March 1976

State party	Date of receipt of the instrument of ratification, accession or succession	Date of entry into force
Mongolia	16 April 1991 a/	16 July 1991
Nepal	14 May 1991 a/	14 August 1991
Netherlands	11 December 1978	11 March 1979
New Zealand	26 May 1989 a/	26 August 1989
Nicaragua	12 March 1980 a/	12 June 1980
Niger	7 March 1986 a/	7 June 1986
Norway	13 September 1972	23 March 1976
Panama	8 March 1977	8 June 1977
Peru	3 October 1980	3 January 1981
Philippines	22 August 1989 a/	22 November 1989
Poland	7 November 1991 a/	7 February 1992
Portugal	3 May 1983	3 August 1983
Republic of Korea	10 April 1990 a/	10 July 1990
Romania	20 July 1993 a/	20 October 1993
Russian Federation	1 October 1991 a/	1 January 1992
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	9 November 1981 a/	9 February 1982
San Marino	18 October 1985 a/	18 January 1986
Senegal	13 February 1978	13 May 1978
Seychelles	5 May 1992 a/	5 August 1992
Slovakia	28 May 1993 b/	1 January 1993
Slovenia	16 July 1993 a/	16 October 1993
Somalia	24 January 1990 a/	24 April 1990
Spain	25 January 1985 a/	25 April 1985
Suriname	28 December 1976 a/	28 March 1977
Sweden	6 December 1971	23 March 1976
Togo	30 March 1988 a/	30 June 1988
Trinidad and Tobago	14 November 1980 a/	14 February 1981
Ukraine	25 July 1991 a/	25 October 1991
Uruguay	1 April 1970	23 March 1976
Venezuela	10 May 1978	10 August 1978
Zaire	1 November 1976 a/	1 February 1977
Zambia	10 April 1984 a/	10 July 1984

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a/ Accession.

b/ Succession.

ANNEX IV

List of States that have signed, ratified or acceded to the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty

State party	Signature	Date of receipt of the instrument of ratification or accession
Australia		2 October 1990 a/
Austria	8 April 1991	2 March 1993
Belgium	12 July 1990	-
Costa Rica	14 February 1990	-
Denmark	13 February 1990	-
Ecuador	-	23 February 1993 a/
Finland	13 February 1990	4 April 1991
Germany	13 February 1990	18 August 1992
Honduras	10 May 1990	-
Iceland	30 January 1991	2 April 1991
Ireland	-	18 June 1993 a/
Italy	13 February 1990	-
Luxembourg	13 February 1990	12 February 1992
Mozambique	-	21 July 1993 a/
Netherlands	9 August 1990	27 February 1991
New Zealand	22 February 1990	22 February 1990
Nicaragua	21 February 1990	-
Norway	13 February 1990	5 September 1991
Panama	-	21 January 1993 a/
Portugal	13 February 1990	17 October 1990
Romania	15 March 1990	27 February 1991
Spain	23 February 1990	11 April 1991
Sweden	13 February 1990	11 May 1990
Uruguay	13 February 1990	21 January 1991
Venezuela	7 June 1990	22 February 1993

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a/ Accession.